Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 02794 202118Z

64
ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 NEA-14 ISO-00 CIAE-00 PM-07 INR-10 L-03

NSAE-00 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-03 USIA-15 TRSE-00

SAJ-01 SS-20 NSC-07 ACDA-19 DRC-01 /132 W
---------- 094864
R 201840Z MAY 74
FM USMISSION NATO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5804
SECDEF WASHDC
INFO ALL NATO CAPITALS 4001
AMEMBASSY BELGRADE
AMEMBASSY MADRID
AMEMBASSY TUNIS
AMEMBASSY VALLETTA
USINT ALGIERS
USCINCEUR
CINCUSNAVEUR
COMSIXTHFLT
USNMR SHAPE
USDOCOSOUTH
USDELMC BRUSSELS

S E C R E T USNATO 2794

E.O. 11652: GDS 12/31/82
TAGS: PFOR, PFOR, MOPS
SUBJECT: NAVAL ON-CALL FORCE MEDITERRANEAN (NAVOCFORMED) VISITS
TO NON-NATO PORTS

REF: A. DIA 162146Z MAY 74
B. STATE 161306 (1973)

SUMMARY. CHAUAMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE WROTE TO THE
SECRETARY GENERAL MAY 17 TO ASK HIM TO SOUND OUT DELEGATIONS
TO DETERMINE WHICH OF THREE NON-NATO PORT VISITS MIGHT BE
MOST ACCEPTABLE POLITICALLY FOR NAVOCFORMED DURING THE NEXT
ACTIVATION OF THAT FORCE. OF THE THREE UNDER CONSIDERATION--
SECRET
PAGE 02 NATO 02794 202118Z

TUNIS, SPLIT, AND VALLETTE--MISSION BELIEVES VALLETTA IS LEAST
ACCEPTABLE. WE NOTE THAT, NOW THAT SOVIETS HAVE SCHEDULED A
VISIT TO TUNIS, THE US POSITION MAY HAVE CHANGED CONCERNING
A VISIT TO THAT PORT. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE.
END SUMMARY.

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

1. THE MILITARY COMMITTEE HAS CONSIDERED A WORKING PAPER
WHICH DEALT WITH SACEUR'S SUGGESTED LIST OF NON-NATO PORTS
FOR THE NINTH NAVOCFORMED ACTIVATION DURING OCTOBER/NOVEMBER
1974. SACEUR SUGGESTED THAT VISITS TO THE FOLLOWING WOULD
BE OF VALUE: TUNIS, SPLIT, CYPRUS (SIC), MALTA (SIC). AT
THE REQUEST OF THE TURKISH MILREP, CYPRUS WAS DROPPED FROM THE
LIST.

2. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE (ADM. HILL-NORTON) HAS
REQUESTED THAT THE SUG INFORMALLY SOUND OUT DELEGATIONS TO DETER-
MINE WHICH PORT MIGHT BE MOST ACCEPTABLE FROM THE POLITICAL
POINT OF VIEW.

3. REF A REPORTED THAT TUNIS HAS APPROVED THE VISIT OF A
SOVIET WARSHIP HAS BEEN SO CLEARED. A PREVIOUS REQUEST FOR
NAVOCFORMED TO VISIT TUNIS IN OCT 1973 WAS REJECTED BY THE
US AT LEAST PARTLY ON THE GROUNDS THAT SUCH A VISIT MIGHT
OPEN THE DOOR TO SOVIET VISITS. REF B REFERS. THIS ASPECT
OF THE SITUATION HAS NOW CHANGED.

4. CONCERNING SPLIT, RELEVANT FACTORS WHICH WASHINGTON WILL
WISH TO WEIGH IN DECIDING ON POSSIBLE VISIT ARE YUGOSLAV
SENSITIVITIES AS A RESULT OF RECENT EXERCISE DARK IMAGE AND
TRIESTE ISSUE AND MORE RECENT SOVIET NAVAL CALLS ON
YUGUSLAV PORTS. IN THE CASE OF MALTA, WE ASSUME THAT UNDER-
STANDINGS WHEN CURRENT UK AGREEMENT WITH MALTA WAS SIGNED
INDICATE THAT VALLETTA IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR A NAVOCFORMED VISIT.

5. MISSION CONSIDERS THAT A NAVOCFORMED VISIT TO AN APPROPRIATE
NON-NATO PORT HAS POLITICAL AS WELL AS MILITARY VALUE AND THAT
IF POSSIBLE, WE SHOULD SUPPORT SUCH A VISIT SOON IN ORDER
THAT THE SYG WOULD HAVE THE BENEFIT OF US VIEWS EARLY IN HIS
SOUNDINGS. IF WASHINGTON APPROVES, MISSION WOULD RAISE THE
QUESTION EITHER BY LETTER TO THE SYG OR INFORMALLY AT A PERM
REPS' LUNCH, GIVING US PREFERENCE AS TO PORT. ACTION REQUESTED:
SECRET

WASHINGTON GUIDANCE.
MCAULIFFE

SECRET

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 11 JUN 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 20 MAY 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974ATO02794
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: 11652 GDS 12/31/82
Errors: n/a
Film Number: n/a
From: NATO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740587/abbryvaq.tel
Line Count: 97
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: n/a
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A. DIA 162146Z MAY 74 B. STATE 161306 (1973)
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 02 APR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <02 APR 2002 by boyleja>; APPROVED <12 JUN 2002 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NAVAL ON-CALL FORCE MEDITERRANEAN (NAVOCFORMED) VISITS TO NON-NATO PORTS
TAGS: PFOR, PFOR, MOPS
To: STATE
SECDEF INFO ALL NATO CAPITALS
BELGRADE
MADRID
TUNIS
VALLETTA
ALGIERS

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

USCINCEUR
CINCUSNAVEUR
COMSIXTHFLT
USNMR SHAPE
USDOCOSOUTH
BRUSSELS
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005